

REMARKS

This Amendment is submitted in reply to the non-final Office Action dated January 16, 2007. No fee is due in connection with this Amendment. The Director is authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-1818. If such a withdrawal is made, please indicate the Attorney Docket No. 112701-690 on the account statement.

Claims 1-22 are pending in this application. In the Office Action, the specification is objected to and the claims are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. In response the specification and Claims 1-4, 8, 10, 14-20 and 22 have been amended. This amendment does not add new matter. In view of the amendment and/or for the reasons set forth below, Applicants respectfully submit that the rejections should be withdrawn.

Applicants have amended the specification to address the informalities cited by the Patent Office. In addition, Applicants respectfully submit that the present specification describes the claimed invention in sufficient detail that one skilled in the art can reasonably conclude that the inventor had possession of the claimed invention at the time of filing the application in accordance with 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the objection to the specification be withdrawn.

In the Office Action, the claims are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as allegedly being indefinite. In response, Applicants have amended Claims 1-4 as the Patent Office has proposed and to clarify the claims. No new matter has been added hereby. Based on at least these noted reasons, Applicants believe that the claims fully comply with 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of the claims under 35 U.S.C. §112 be withdrawn.

For the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified patent application and earnestly solicit an early allowance of same.

Respectfully submitted,

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